



DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Assessment Data and Reporting

I hope you are having a great summer! A couple of weeks ago, we shared an overview of the 2017 Vendor Based Reporting Information. This document, also available in the Wisconsin State Assessment Timelines section of the [OSA webpage](#), provides an outline of our statewide assessments, the types of reports available from the vendors, the format in which they are provided, where, when, how they can be accessed, and general directions for their use and distribution. Please share this information with members of your team who may find it useful as they engage in data inquiry and school improvement planning this summer.

As assessment reports become available in the various vendor portals, please be aware that the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) will notify districts when results may be shared publicly. In the meantime, the data remain under embargo. This embargo usually lasts until a DPI press release date. As a reminder, any public reporting of assessment results must meet FERPA requirements regarding student data.

The vendor-based data reporting mentioned above, as you know, is separate from the extensive processes involved here at DPI. Once we receive the final data files from each of the vendors, DPI will begin to upload and prepare the data for WISEdash for Districts, the WISEdash Public Portal, and Accountability Report Cards. Our data warehouse and OEA teams will be working under tight timelines this summer to load, clean, quality assure, and report on our data in time for the report card release in the fall. As in the past, we will keep you informed of DPI data releases through the DAC Digest, as well as through the WISEdash for Districts landing page.

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Viji Somasundaram,
Director Office of Student Assessment



ASSESSMENT UPDATES

WorkKeys National Career Readiness Certificates Available

- ACT WorkKeys National Career Readiness Certificates (NCRCs) have been loaded to the Department's Secure Access File Exchange (SAFE).
- In addition to the certificates, a .csv file containing data for all students who obtained a NCRC is available. This file contains the unique usernames and passwords needed for students to

access their My WorkKeys accounts. Accessing the My WorkKeys account is necessary for students who wish to share an electronic version of their certificate with potential employers.

- NCRCs may be downloaded and distributed to parents/guardians and students, and students should be provided with their unique usernames and passwords in order to access their My WorkKeys accounts.
- For sample user id and password letters and more information about the ACT WorkKeys NCRC, please visit our [OSA WorkKeys Data and Results](#) webpage.

Assessment Uploads into WISEdash

- Last week 2016-17 ACT WorkKeys and 2016-17 ACCESS for ELLs were loaded into WISEdash for Districts. You can now view these assessment data in WISEdash for Districts secure portal. Please verify that these data look correct, and contact [IT here at DPI](#) if there any issues.
- 2014-15 and 2015-16 ACT Aspire data are now available in WISEdash Public Portal.

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) and International Assessments (selected schools only)

- **Notification letters to districts-** Initial notification letters to district administrators with copies going to DACs were mailed in early June. These letters listed the schools in each district selected to participate in NAEP and/or any International Assessments for the 2017-18 school year. Please note that these letters usually go out by the end of May and are delayed a week this year.
- **Notification letters to schools last week-** Initial notification letters to principals were mailed last week. These letters include more information about the school's specific assessments, including the test date. DACs should have received emails with their schools' test dates on 6/26. Contact angela.dugas@dpi.wi.gov if you have any questions.
- **NAEP 2018** will include the following assessments:
 - Grade 4: Reading Special Studies, Science Pilots
 - Grade 8: U.S. History, Civics, and Geography National Assessments; Technology and Engineering Literacy National Assessment; Reading Special Studies; and Science Pilots
 - Grade 12: Mathematics, Reading, and Science Pilots; and Reading Special Studies
- Wisconsin also has schools selected to represent the nation in the following **International Assessments** this upcoming school year:
 - Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) in grades 4 and 8
 - International Computer and Information Literacy Study (ICILS) in grade 8
- A few other reminders about NAEP and International Assessments:
 - Most of the assessments will be conducted on tablets or laptops brought in by NAEP test administrators.
 - Students will participate in only one subject area.
 - Most assessments take 90-120 minutes total for students.

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Important Dates to Remember

June	2: Deadline for Aspire to receive paper answer documents.	Aspire
	Early-June: NAEP and International Assessments notification letters mailed to districts	NAEP and International Assessments
	Mid-June: WorkKeys paper memo and summary to examinees delivered to schools; Printed WorkKeys roster report will be mailed to test coordinators	WorkKeys
	Late-June Forward Student Reports and summary reports (for district personnel access) will be made available electronically in eDIRECT	Forward
	Late-June: NAEP and International Assessments notification letters mailed to schools with assessment dates; emails will go to DACs	NAEP and International Assessments
	Late-June: ACT non-college reportable score letters delivered to schools	ACT
July	Forward Hard copy ISRs mailed to districts	Forward

Important Tasks to Remember

<input type="checkbox"/> Plan for WIDA Screener Implementation for Fall 2017.	ACCESS
<input type="checkbox"/> Look for score report information later this summer.	DLM
<input type="checkbox"/> Ensure relevant team members are aware of the information regarding reading readiness assessment at Reading Readiness Overview and Reading Readiness FAQ .	Reading Readiness

Online Resource Highlights

As new resources are posted to our website, we will include them here for your convenience. This is NOT an exhaustive list, but meant to highlight resources with significant relevance to our upcoming test windows.

Resource	Description	Assessment
ACT and WorkKeys Report Schedule	Descriptions and delivery dates for district, school, and student-level reports	ACT/WorkKeys
ACT Data and Results	DPI webpage with links to sample reports and resources for understanding and using ACT reports	
WorkKeys Data and Results	DPI webpage with links to sample reports and resources for understanding and using WorkKeys reports	
Aspire Data and Results	DPI webpage with links to sample reports and resources for understanding and using ACT Aspire reports	Aspire
Forward Data and Results	DPI webpage with links to sample ISR cover letters and resources for understanding Forward Reports	Forward
ACCESS for ELLs Calendar	Provides an overview of relevant 2017-18 dates	ACCESS
Standard Setting Impacts	Information on this year's score changes	
OSA Office Hours Webinar -	The DAC Resources and Trainings page will house our recorded webinar, as well as the accompanying PowerPoint presentation.	General

Report Card Resources	Various resources to assist in understanding, explaining, and using the 2015-16 school and district report card data	OEA
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